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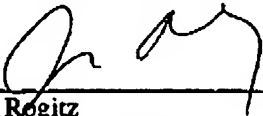
COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

The "Statement of Reasons for Allowance" might misleadingly summarize the record as a whole, and consequently Applicant does not acquiesce in it. For example, the statement alleges that "claims 1, 10, and 16 teach a method and apparatus and means for a disk drive", but that is inaccurate. Each independent claim recites only a single statutory category, not three, as a grammatically rigorous interpretation of the allegation otherwise might indicate. Further, Claims 1 and 16 are directed to a hard disk drive; Claim 10 is directed to a system. None of the independent claims are directed to a method *per se*. Still further, the statement points out "distinguishing" features of the claims as though other limitations do not impart patentability when it is axiomatic that a claim as a whole is patentable. Further still, the statement incorrectly implies that certain language from Claim 1 appears verbatim in Claim 16, when this is not the case. Each claim stands on its own recitation.

Respectfully submitted,



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